

# International Space Station Status



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# Agenda



- ISS Goals
  - Highlight Exploration and Commercial Market Development
- ISS Overview Status
- Visiting Vehicle Status
- Utilization Highlights (Dr. Tara Ruttle)





# NASA's and America's goals onboard the Station



Advance benefits to humanity  
through research



Enable long duration human  
spaceflight beyond LEO

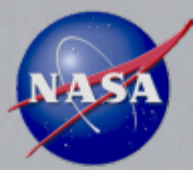


Enable the commercial market in LEO



Basis for international HSF  
leadership & partnerships



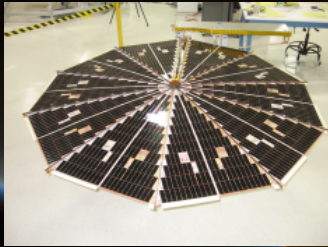


# ISS and Exploration





# Exploration Systems Flight Testing on ISS



Solar arrays



Life Support Systems



Crew Support Systems

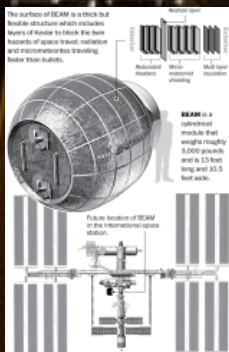
NASA Docking System



Refueling



Leak detection



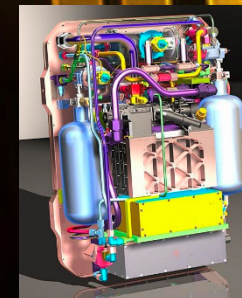
Habitation Structures



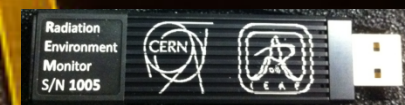
Crew Medical Systems



In-Space Manufacturing



EVA Systems



Environmental Monitors



# Technology Demonstration Progress & Planning



- NASA System Maturation Teams have identified gaps for future missions that can be enabled through ISS.
  - Reliable/low maintenance life support and environmental monitoring systems
  - EVA systems
  - Crew health research and countermeasures
  - Crew performance systems development
  - Rendezvous and docking system
  - Human robotic operations and capabilities
  - Mars mission-based simulations
- Working to prioritize and plan for demonstrations on ISS
- Near-term planned demonstrations include:
  - Life support system upgrades and on-board environmental monitors
  - Inflatable habitat structure
  - Large fire phenomenon
  - 3D printing
  - Low boil-off cryogenic fluid storage systems
  - Deployable solar array





# Exploration Technology Fly Off Plan



Capability Gap	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28
<b>ECLSS</b>															
Reliable CO2 Removal + lower ppCO2	▲ CDRA-4			▲ valve, bed upgrades	▲ next gen system										
Smaller, simpler O2 Gen								▲ next gen OGA							
High pressure O2 for EVA & medical use															
Reliable urine processing ~85% recovery			▲ ISS UPA upgrades					▲ next gen UPA							
Reliable water processing w/ reduced expendables				▲ MF bed mod				▲ cat reactor mod							
Common biocide with on orbit replenishment															
Waste management				▲ UWMS				▲ HMC							
Additional O2 recovery from CO2 >75%									▲ >75% recovery						
Additional water from brine >85% recovery									▲ brine processor						
<b>Environmental Monitoring</b>															
Trace Gas (on orbit, no grab sample return)	▲ AQM					▲ uTAM									
Targeted Gases (fire products, NH3, hydrazine)						▲ saffire demo									
Water (individual compounds)															
Microbial (ID & qty species)				▲ COTS				▲ Expl PCR							
Major Constituents (small, no maintenance)						▲ uTAM		▲ MPAM (ISS & Orion)							
Particulates				▲ particulate survey				▲ particulate monitor							
Acoustic (automated, alerting, no crew time)						▲ tech demo		▲ operational							
<b>EVA</b>															
PLSS & Pressure Garment															
EMU upgrades															
Suitport															
<b>Fire Safety and Response</b>															
Emergency Mask (single cartridge)	▲ dual					▲ single									
Contingency Air Monitor (overlap with targeted gas)						▲ Saffire									
Smoke Eater															
Water Mist PFE			▲ ISS size			▲ Exp size									
<b>Crew Health &amp; Performance Technologies</b>															
Exercise Equipment						Orion device	▲	▲ Exploration device							
Medical Equipment						▲ ESMD									
Food System									▲ Adv food system						
<b>Thermal (including Cryo)</b>															
ZBOT (Phases 1-3)					Phase 1	▲	Phase 2			▲	Phase 3				
Phase Change Material					wax			▲ water							
Variable Heat Rejection radiators															
<b>Power &amp; Energy Storage</b>															
Solar arrays					▲ ROSA	▲	Common agency array								
Energy Storage					▲ Li ion batt	▲	Regen fuel cell								
<b>Comm &amp; Navigation</b>															
High speed comm/internetworking	▲ DTN & OPALS				▲ LCRD							▲ TDRS upgrades			
Position, navigation, and timing				▲ NICER/SEXTANT											
<b>Structures &amp; Materials</b>															
Materials/In-space manufacturing	▲ 3D print (plastic)				▲ 3D print (metal)										
Structures & Health Monitoring				▲ BEAM											
<b>Radiation Monitoring &amp; Shielding</b>															
	▲ REM & others														
<b>Entry, Descent, Landing</b>															
								▲ THOR							
<b>Autonomous Operations</b>															
	▲ comm delay				▲ increased crew autonomy										
<b>Automated Rendezvous &amp; Docking</b>															
				▲ RAVEN											
<b>Robotics</b>															
Robotic refueling			▲ RRM2			▲ RRM3									
Free flyer robots (IVA & EVA)				▲ SPHERES2 (IVA)		▲ EVA									
Human assist robots															
Telerobotics	▲														

no committed funding  
 some \$, but insufficient funding for ISS demo  
 sufficient funding to ISS demo

Funded ISS demo  
 Proposed ISS demo (not yet funded)



# ISS and the Development of the Commercial Market





# LEO Commercialization Strategic Planning



- Some summary finding highlights from Dec 10-11 Workshop
  - *Recommendation for NASA to develop a strategic plan for commercialization*
  - NASA should forecast needs for LEO beyond ISS and not be in competition with industry
  - Need for routine and regular access to ISS
  - More clarification on insurance, intellectual property rights, cross-waivers, and government and non-government use of materials developed on ISS
  - Potential government incentives could include free trade/tax free zones
- Complete workshop summary available at:  
[http://www.nasa.gov/directorates/heo/LEO\\_commercialization](http://www.nasa.gov/directorates/heo/LEO_commercialization)
- Currently working on detailed strategic plan, including:
  - ISS transition objectives to further enable commercial development
  - Policy and economic initiatives
  - Supply and demand side stimulation

# Vision

Sustained economic activity in LEO enabled by human spaceflight, driven by private and public investments creating value and benefitting Earth through commercial supply and public and private demand

## Goals

Today...

ISS leveraged to enable LEO commercialization, freeing up resources for Exploration

Policy and regulatory environment promotes commercialization of LEO

Robust, self-sustaining, and cost effective supply of US commercial services to/in/ from LEO that accommodate public and private demands

Broad sectors of the economy using LEO for commercial purposes

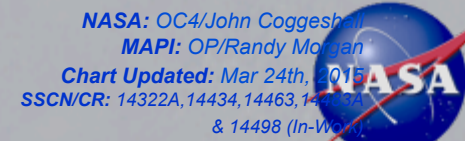
Sustained economic activity in LEO



# ISS Overview Status



ISS Program  
April 2015



		2015												2016		
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	
		Inc 42			Inc 43		Inc 44			Inc 45			Inc 46			
Crew Rotation		N B. Wilmore (CDR-42) 168 days (40S) R Y. Serova 168 days (40S) R A. Samokutyaev 168 days (40S)			N S. Kelly (CDR-45/46) (1 Yr Crew) R M. Kornienko (1 Yr Crew) R G. Padalka (CDR-44) 171 days (41S) 171 days (41S) 171 days (41S)		N K. Lindgren 163 days (42S) J K. Yui 163 days (42S) R O. Kononenko 163 days (42S)			R S. Volkov 184 days (44S) N T. Kopra (CDR-47) 167 days (43S) E T. Peake 167 days (43S) R Y. Malenchenko 167 days (43S)						
Soyuz Lit Landing		01/08	02/17	03/14	04/15	05/17	06/11									
Stage S/W		01/12		03/18		05/24										
Stage EVAs		2/25 (IDA Prep) 2/21 (IDA Prep)			3/1 (C2V2)		R-41 6/24 (IDA Install)			X2 R14 9/14 (PMA3)			(IDA Install)			
Port Utilization	MRM2 / SM Zenith	168 / 168			42S			168 / 168			44S			184 / 184		
	MRM1 / FGB Nadir	41S			5/13 (Landing 5/14 early GMT)			5/27 (early GMT) 43S			11/5			11/20 45S		
	DC1 / MLM / RS Node	57P			4/25 4/28 59P			8/4 8/7 60P			188 / 188			2/10 2/12 62P		
	SM Aft	2/14 2/17 ATV5 58P			190 / 190			8/26 9/11			10/22 61P			191 / 191		
	N2 Fwd / PMA2							IDA #1 installed on PMA2								
	N2 Zenith										PMA3 moved from N3P to N2Z (Robotics)			IDA #2 installed on PMA3		
	N2 Nadir	1/12 2/10 29 Days SpX-5			4/15 5/20 35 Days SpX-6			6/21 7/21 30 Days SpX-7			8/23 9/4 10/4 30 Days SpX-8			12/7 1/6 30 Days SpX-9		
N1 Nadir				PMM relocation from N1N to N3F (Robotics) NET 6/10 N1 berthing kit installed			8/31 10/7 45 Days HTV5			11/25 1/23 59 Days Orb-4						
Solar Beta >60		-01/07			05/28 -06/07			07/27 -08/04			10/28 -11/03			12/24 -01/03		
External Cargo		SpX-5: CATS			SpX-6: Empty			SpX-7: IDA #1			SpX-8: BEAM HTV5: CALET, MUSES (TBD)			SpX-9: IDA #2 SpX-10: STP-H5, SAGE IP, SAGE NVP		
Launch Schedule		SpX-5 1/10			SpX-6 4/13			SpX-7 6/19			HTV5 8/17 SpX-8 9/2			Orb-4 11/19 SpX-9 12/5		
		N°425 M-26M 58P 2/17			N°716 TMA-16M 42S 3/27			N°426 M-27M 59P 4/28			N°717 TMA-17M 43S 5/26			N°428 M-28M 60P 8/6		





# 42 Soyuz Launch/Increment 43 March - September 2015



**Vehicle:** 42 Soyuz

**Launch:** March 27, 2015 (with 4 orbit rendezvous)

**Docking:** March 28, 2015

**Undock/Landing:** September 11, 2015



## 41 Soyuz crew

**Anton Shkaplerov, Soyuz Commander**  
**Terry Virts, Increment 43 Commander**  
**Samantha Cristoforetti, (ESA) Flight Engineer**



**Undock / Landing : May 13, 2015**



## 42 Soyuz Crew

**Gennady Pakalka, Soyuz and Increment 44 Commander**  
**Mikhail Kornienko, Flight Engineer**  
**Scott Kelly, Increment 45/46 Commander**



# Increment 43 and 44 Highlights

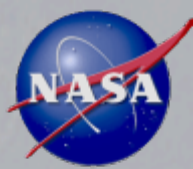


- Beginning of 1-year mission and associated experiments
- Rodent Research-2 is scheduled to start during SpX-6 and continue into Increment 44
- USOS Reconfiguration
  - Delivery and EVA installation of International Docking Adapter (IDA) – 1 (SpX-7)
  - PMM Relocation
  - Node1 Nadir Modifications
- Delivery of first NORS Tank
- HTV-5 use of Node1 Nadir for berthing
- CALorimetric Electron Telescope (CALET) External Payload (HTV-5)
- Arrival of Galley Rack and Multi purpose Small Payload Rack (MSPR-2) Rack (HTV-5)
- Direct Handover Stage 44-9 with 9 crew on ISS





# Increment 43 Overview - Major Stage Objectives



- Increment 43: 62 Days
  - Stage 43-3: 40S Undock to 42S Dock: 16 days
  - Stage 43-6: 42S Dock to 41S Undock: 46 days
  - EVAs
    - No planned EVAs
  - Cargo vehicles:
    - SpX-6 Launch/Berthing/Unberthing (4/13, 5/20)
    - 57P Undock from DC1 Nadir (4/25)
    - 59P Dock to DC1 Nadir (4/28)
  - Science/Utilization:
    - Inc 43/44 Utilization Target: 35 hrs per week avg (+ 170 hr “challenge”)
    - Rodent Research 2
    - 1 Year Crew Human Research Program
    - Fluid Shifts



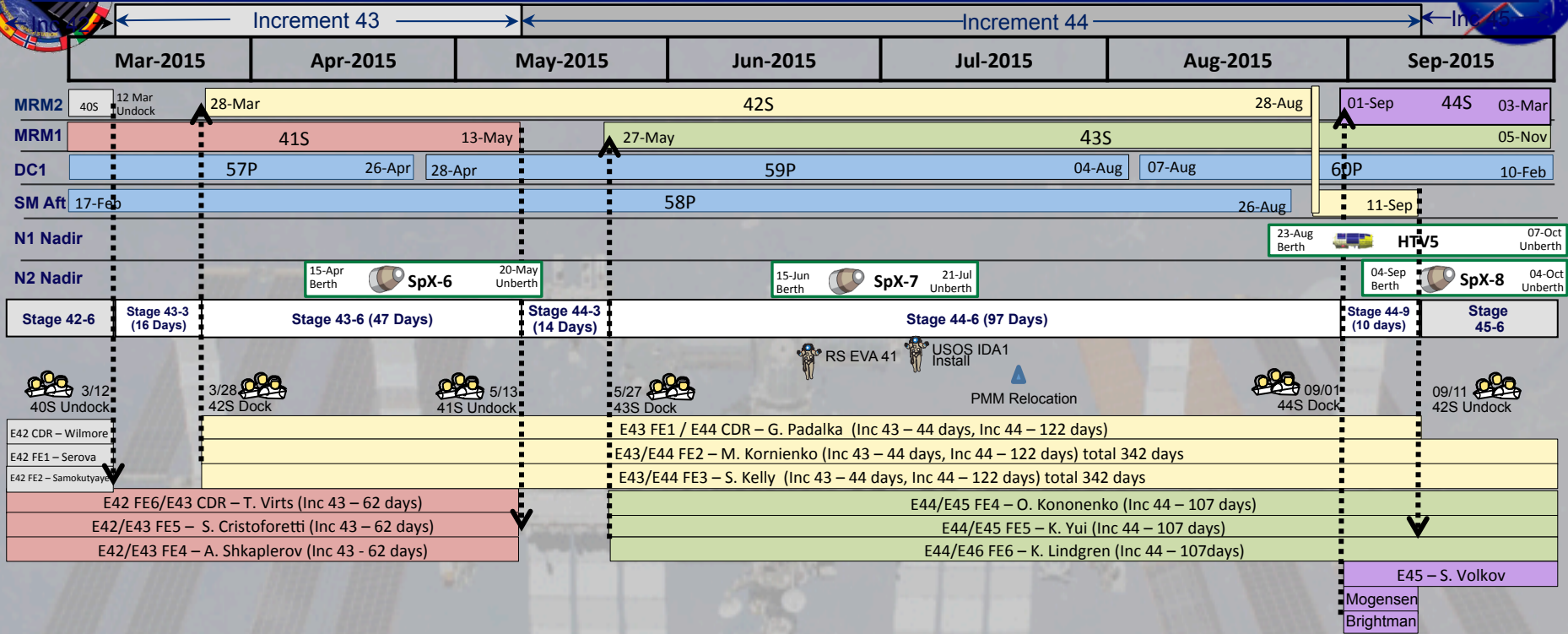




# INCREMENTS 43 & 44



Updated 06-Feb-2015 All dates GMT  
FPIP:SSCN/CR 14322A, 14348, 14434, 14463 (In-Work)



	Stage 43-3	Stage 43-6	Stage 44-3	Stage 44-6	Stage 44-9
<b>Utilization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~30 New Experiments</li> <li>1-Year Mission Experimentation</li> <li>Twin Studies</li> <li>Fluid Shifts</li> <li>Rodent Research-2</li> <li>JEM A/L Candidate: RRM2</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~45 New Experiments</li> <li>JEM A/L Candidates: NRCSD, J-SSOD#3-2, ExHAM/Tanpopo</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ESA Visiting Crewmember Science complement</li> </ul>
<b>EVA, Robotics, Systems, Software</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Begin 1 Year Mission</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>USOS EVA: IDA1 install</li> <li>PMM relocate from N1N to N3F (SSRMS)</li> <li>N1N berthing port prep</li> <li>N1 Galley Rack and MSPR-2 xfer and install</li> <li>USOS EVA: PMA3 disconnect and IDA2 cable routing (below the line)</li> <li>RS EVA 41</li> </ul>		

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Crew

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IM - Todd Hellner (x31394) IDM - Lisa Leech (x41101)  
IE - Julie Dunning (x34360) IPE - David Bach (x46748)  
IE - Cindy Cranford (x47677)

[https://iss-www.isc.nasa.gov/nwo/mio/riit/inc\\_43/web/](https://iss-www.isc.nasa.gov/nwo/mio/riit/inc_43/web/)



# ISS Reconfiguration



- Goal : Establish 2 docking ports and 2 berthing ports on ISS USOS to support crew and cargo vehicles
- Present configuration : Berthing ports at Node 2 nadir, Node 2 zenith  
PMA 2 on Node 2 forward, PMA 3 on Node 3 port
- Final configuration : Berthing ports at Node 2 nadir, Node 1 nadir  
Docking ports at Node 2 forward (PMA 2 / IDA 1), Node 2 Zenith (PMA 3 / IDA 2)
- Move PMM from Node 1 nadir to Node 3 forward
- Move PMA-3 from Node 3 port to Node 2 zenith
- Install IDA 1 on PMA 2 (Node 2 forward) – SpaceX - 7
- Install IDA 2 on PMA 3 (Node 2 zenith) – SpaceX – 9
- Node 3 aft configured to support BEAM
- Install C2V2 antenna system on truss elements P3 and S3 (complete)
- Significant installation and rerouting of cables performed internally to the USOS
- Move ARED configuration in Node 3 (completed)



# Total ISS Consumables Status



	T1: Current Capability		T2: Current Capability + SpX-6	
Consumable – based on current, ISS system status	Date to Reserve Level	Date to zero supplies	Date to Reserve Level	Date to zero supplies
Food – 100%	July 05, 2015	August 18, 2015	July 24, 2015	September 05, 2015
KTO	June 20, 2015	August 04, 2015	July 20, 2015	September 02, 2015
Filter Inserts	April 01, 2016	May 24, 2016	April 01, 2016	May 24, 2016
Toilet (ACY) Inserts	January 03, 2016	February 17, 2016	January 03, 2016	February 17, 2016
EDV + TUBSS (UPA Operable)	December 06, 2015	March 29, 2016	December 06, 2015	March 29, 2016
Pre-Treat Tank	August 20, 2015	September 29, 2015	August 20, 2015	September 29, 2015
Water (Nominal Usage)	September 10, 2015	December 24, 2015	September 10, 2015	December 24, 2015
Consumable - based on system failure				
EDV + TUBSS (UPA Failed)	August 26, 2015	October 14, 2015	August 26, 2015	October 14, 2015
Water, if no WPA (Ag & Iodinated)	July 19, 2015	September 17, 2015	July 19, 2015	September 17, 2015
O <sub>2</sub> if Elektron supporting 3 crew & no OGA	May 10, 2015	September 08, 2015	May 10, 2015	September 08, 2015
O <sub>2</sub> if neither Elektron or OGA	April 14, 2015	June 18, 2015	April 14, 2015	June 18, 2015
LiOH (CDRAs and Vozdukh off)	~0 Days	~14 Days	~0 Days	~14 Days





# USOS Consumables Status



	U1: Current Capability		U2: Current Capability + SpX-6	
Consumable – based on current, ISS system status	Date to Reserve Level	Date to zero supplies	Date to Reserve Level	Date to zero supplies
Food – 100%	August 21, 2015	September 28, 2015	September 22, 2015	November 09, 2015
KTO	June 17, 2015	August 01, 2015	August 16, 2015	September 23, 2015
Filter Inserts	January 20, 2016	March 06, 2016	January 20, 2016	March 06, 2016
Toilet (ACY) Inserts	June 07, 2016	July 22, 2016	June 07, 2016	July 22, 2016
EDV + TUBSS (UPA Operable)	April 30, 2015	January 01, 2016	April 30, 2015	January 01, 2016
Pre-Treat Tanks	September 05, 2015	October 15, 2015	September 05, 2015	October 15, 2015
Water (Nominal Usage)	August 20, 2015	January 30, 2016	August 20, 2015	January 30, 2016
Utilization		> October 2015		> October 2015
Consumable - based on system failure				
EDV + TUBSS (UPA Failed)	April 03, 2015	June 22, 2015	April 03, 2015	June 22, 2015
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LiOH (CDRAs and Vozdukh off)	~0 Days	~13.3 Days	~0 Days	~13.3 Days



# Pertinent ISS Vehicle Issues

Issue	Impact to Stage Ops	Rationale
Node 3 CDRA ASV 104 Failure	Yes	<p>Node 3 CDRA faulted after Air Selector Valve (ASV) #104 failed to transition position on 3/26/15.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Troubleshooting attempts successfully recovered the valve and Node 3 CDRA is currently in operation.</li><li>• There are six ASV in CDRA. ASV #106 was replaced on 3/24/15.</li><li>• Teams continue to monitor ASV #104 and will replace once hard failed.</li><li>• There are 2 ASV spares on-orbit and one has been added to SpaceX-6.</li></ul>
WSTA Unexpected Quantity	Yes	<p>After a completion of a nominal WSTA fill on 3/25/15, the quantity reading continued to increase to ~99%. This is a ~28% increase above the planned volume.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WSTA was drained and the remaining PTU was processed in the UPA.</li><li>• To determine if the signature was repeatable the WSTA was filled again and the same quantity increase of ~28% was observed.</li><li>• Probable cause is a combination of excessive free gas in the WSTA tank from a previous EDV transfer in conjunction with a flow restriction.</li><li>• Proceeding forward with a partial WSTA fill during the next EDV PTU transfer. If quantity increase does not occur, nominal operations can resume.</li></ul>



# Pertinent ISS Vehicle Issues (cont.)



Issue	Impact to Stage Ops	Rationale
WPA RHS High Conductivity	Yes	<p>WPA Reactor Health Sensor (RHS) faulted during a process cycle on 3/25/15 due to a sharp increase in conductivity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The exceedance of the tolerance limit between the two sensors caused the WPA to stop processing.</li><li>• Ground teams inhibited the diverged sensor and proceeded forward with WPA process operations.</li><li>• There is 1 spare RHS ORU on orbit and 1 spare Catalytic Reactor on SpX-6.</li><li>• Teams are continuing to assess the cause of the sharp increase in conductivity.</li></ul>
PL-1 MDM Command Issue	Yes	<p>On 3/26/15, Payloads were not providing the expected response to ground commanding required to support 42S docking inhibits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Payload (PL)-1 MDM held a command in queue and would not process additional commands. Confirmed via data review and ground testing.</li><li>• PL-2 MDM was moded to primary which allowed POIC to put inhibits in place for 42S.</li><li>• A command error uncovered a latent code issue that changed the command queue structures. An SCR will be written to address this issue.</li><li>• The condition was cleared by a PL-1 MDM power cycle.</li><li>• An alternate workaround has been identified</li></ul>





# Pertinent ISS Vehicle Issues (cont.)



Issue	Impact to Stage Ops	Rationale
AQM 2 Sieve Cartridge Replacement	No	<p>JSC Toxicology's review of AQM 2 data indicated the sieve cartridges were spent and required replacement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AQM sieve cartridges on-orbit life is estimated at 6 months and are trashed when replaced.</li><li>• The last sieve cartridge change-out occurred on 1/20/15, change-out of the cartridges was completed on 3/20/15.</li><li>• Improper installation is considered the most probable cause.</li><li>• There are 3 sets of spare cartridges on-orbit.</li></ul>
MERLIN 2 System Lock Up	No	<p>On 3/19/15 MERLIN 2 was deactivated by the ground after it hung up following a planned reboot and was no longer was reporting health and status.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• After an unsuccessful power cycle, Crew confirmed the unit is hung-up in the reboot cycle.</li><li>• A troubleshooting plan is in development.</li><li>• MERLIN 2 holds Crew Preference Items, which have been consolidated in the MERLIN galley unit.</li></ul>
N3 CDRA Failed Heater Annunciation by N3-1 MDM	No	<p>After N3 CDRA was powered (part of a reconfiguration activity), both heater controllers were reported to be failed by the N3-1 MDM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A discrepancy was found between the enable/disable states of the heater controllers by the N3-1 MDM during a scheduled N3-1 EEPROM Refresh.</li><li>• Heater controller communication was reestablished by ground teams.</li></ul>



# Pertinent ISS Vehicle Issues (cont.)



Issue	Impact to Stage Ops	Rationale
ARED Cylinder Replacement	No	<p>Recently, a sharp increase in ARED cylinder evacuations were required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Indications of a leak due to multiple bar rises with loads dialed to less than 590lbs.</li><li>• Troubleshooting confirmed that the left cylinder was unable to maintain a vacuum.</li><li>• Both cylinders were replaced with two pristine spares.</li><li>• The removed right cylinder will be stowed as a usable spare. The removed left cylinder will be returned on SpX-6.</li></ul>
Lab CDRA RPC Trips	Yes	<p>RPCM LAD62B-A, RPC 12, which provides power to the Lab CDRA Air Selector Valves, continues to have true overcurrent trips.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trip signatures have all been in family.</li><li>• Troubleshooting will be conducted once the trip frequency is inconsistent.</li><li>• Multiple RPC trips do not degrade RPCs and upstream hardware is protected by stepped increases in wire and RPCM amp ratings.</li></ul>
RPCM AL2A3B_B RPC 5 Trip	No	<p>On 3/8/15, RPCM AL2A3B_B RPC 5 tripped (no overcurrent) and had a power on reset.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• This RPC powers the Airlock CCAA TCCV (auto control capability).</li><li>• FET hybrid troubleshooting confirmed RPC 5 failed and will require an RPCM R&amp;R. All other loads on this RPCM were recovered.</li><li>• No constraint to operate CCAA fan w/o TCCV commanding. Manual air temperature control can be conducted.</li><li>• The RPCM was successfully replaced on 3/30/15.</li></ul>





# Pertinent ISS Vehicle Issues (cont.)



Issue	Impact to Stage Ops	Rationale
Sabatier Status	Yes	<p>Sabatier has operated in a degraded mode (with wet indications near the Reactor Inlet) since June of 2013.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>On 2/6 crew removed Laminar Flow Element (LFE) rod and returned on SpX-5.</li><li>Production in February was 3.6 L of water, and current production in March is 8.4 L of water.</li><li>Sabatier Team continues to monitor system and adjust tolerances as required for operation.</li></ul>
SPDM RMCT Collets	Yes	<p>On 2/2/15 a checkout of Robotic Micro Conical Tool 1 (RMCT 1) resulting in an inability to remove the RMCT from the Tool Holster Assembly (THA).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>RMCT 1 troubleshooting occurred on 3/4/15.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Launch locks were closed, collets were opened to release RMCT1. Collets were cycled once for data collection.</li></ul></li><li>Review of data indicates higher than expected torque values at various points during operation.</li><li>Teams are continuing to conduct a systematic engineering analysis and requesting additional on-orbit troubleshooting.</li><li>Upcoming RRM activities will be conducted with one SPDM arm ops.</li></ul>



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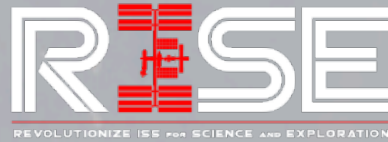


Issue	Impact to Stage Ops	Rationale
Two UPA FCPA Failures	No	<p>On 2/18/15 the UPA faulted out due to a high pressure indication from the FCPA (S/N 6) P11 pressure switch.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>FIT believed a faulty P11 switch was likely cause. FIT recommended to bypass redundant switch with pin-kit jumper.</li><li>During bypass operations, found pretreated urine leak within the FCPA that may have been causing issues with electrical connections.</li><li>FCPA was replaced on 2/23/15</li></ul> <p>The new FCPA (S/N 1) operated 45 minutes and then faulted due to high motor current.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>FIT on 26 Feb 15 determined S/N 1 failed.</li></ul> <p>New FCPA was installed on 3/3/15 and is currently in operation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No spares on-orbit. Spares planned for SpX-6 and SpX-7.</li></ul>
EMU 3003 Suit P Erratic Sensor Readings	No	<p>During EVA #31 (3/1/15) ISLE prebreathe activities, the suit pressure on EMU 3003 was erratic while in the IV O2 actuator position.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Erratic readings cause numerous annunciations.</li><li>Manual suit gauge pressure indicated a stable pressure.</li><li>Suit pressure was stable once O2 actuator was moved to the higher EVA pressure (4.2 psid) for the duration of the EVA.</li><li>Per FR B15-52, the EMU is go for EVA with the loss of the suit pressure sensor alone (manual gauge is available).</li></ul>



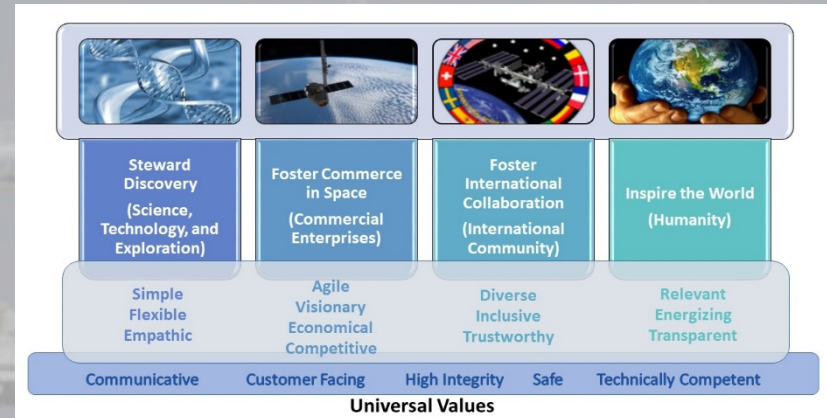


# Revolutionize ISS for Science and Exploration



## The Approach

- Dedicated team of ISS and JSC personnel spent 4 months re-engineering ISS Core and Enabling processes.
- Transitioning ISS culture and processes from “assembly” mode to “science discovery/commercialization” mode.
- Design solution marries resolution of current known issues from stakeholder and customer feedback with new process designs.



## ISS Core Processes Highlights

	Core Processes	ENSURING SAFETY with DILIGENCE, FLEXIBILITY, TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE and DISCERNMENT
	Core Processes	MANAGE ST&E INTERFACES with EFFICIENCY, FLEXIBILITY, and CONSISTENCY
	Core Processes	PLAN AND PROCESS CARGO with EFFICIENCY, FLEXIBILITY, and RELIABILITY
	Core Processes	PLAN OPERATIONS with EFFICIENCY, FLEXIBILITY, and RESPONSIVENESS
	Core Processes	OPERATE THE VEHICLE with TEAM WORK, EFFICIENCY, and SERVICE
The Focus	The Customer	The Purpose

## RISE Enabling Process Focus

“Making the right thing to do, the easiest thing to do.”

- Utilize specific criteria and rating levels to define support providers need/want to achieve success in the realms of Safety, Requirements, and Operations
- Utilize dashboard concept for data sharing across the program
- Utilize rating and complexity categorization to define safety approval process
- Rewrite of payload interface requirements to reduce duplication and transfer mission success responsibility to the hardware provider).
- Eliminate duplicate data submittal.



# Visiting Vehicles Status







# SpX-5 Mission Success!



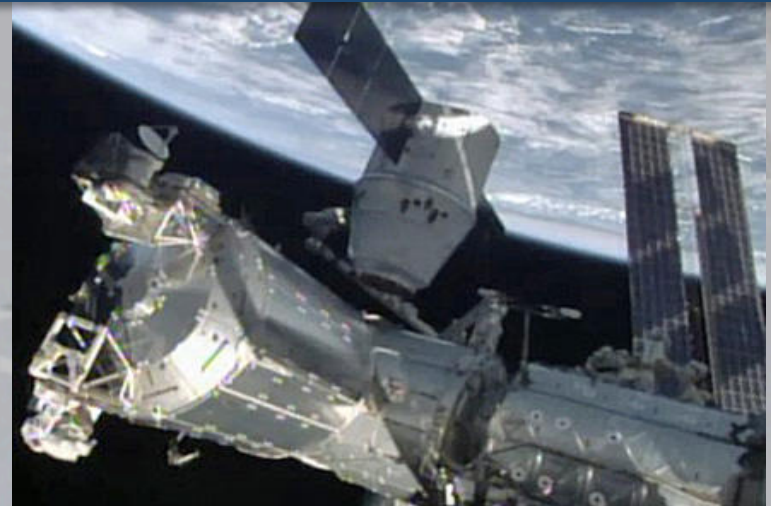
Falcon 9 successful launch on 1/10/15



Dragon successfully captured and berthed on 1/12/15



Dragon successfully unberthed on 2/10/15







# SpaceX-5 Mission Status



## ➤ Mission Planning

- Stage Operations Readiness Review (SORR) conducted on 11/18/14
- SpaceX Launch Readiness Review (LRR) conducted on 1/4/15
- Delta LRR was conducted on 1/8/15
- Successful launch on 1/10/15
- Berthing to ISS successful on 1/12/15
- Preliminary Post Flight Briefing Part 1 was completed on 1/23/15
- Successfully unberthed and splashed down on 2/10/15
- Preliminary Post Flight Briefing Part 2 was completed on 3/2/15
- Final report is scheduled for Apr

## ➤ Pressurized Cargo

- GLACIER, Commercial Generic Bioprocessing Apparatus (CGBA), 2 Polar, and 6 Cold Bags

## ➤ External Cargo

- Cloud Aerosol Transport System (CATS); CATS transferred to ISS successfully on 1/22/15

## ➤ Dragon Status

- Successfully berthed to ISS on 1/12/15 and hatch opening was conducted on 1/13/15
- Successfully unberthed and splashed down on 2/10/15 and expedited critical return to NASA
- Water intrusion in the hatch on landing was successfully mitigated
- Dragon arrived at McGregor on 2/14/15
- Nominal cargo turned over to NASA on 2/17/15



Successful splashdown on 2/10/15



CRS-5 being brought in to port on 2/10/15





# SpaceX-6 Mission Status



## ➤ Mission Planning

- Cargo Integration Review (CIR) was conducted on 12/4/14
- Safety Review Panel (SRP) Phase 3 Part 1 was conducted on 3/3/15 and SRP Phase 3 Part 2 was conducted on 3/11/15
- Post Qualification Review (PQR) was conducted on 3/4/15
- Stage Operations Readiness Review (SORR) held 4/2/15
- Launch 4/13, return 5/20

## ➤ Pressurized Cargo

- 2 Polar, 1 Rodent Transporters, Cold Bags, 1 JAXA ice box and Osteo-4 (automated bone cell culture system)
- High priority ECLSS spares

## ➤ External Cargo

- No external payload

## ➤ Dragon 8 Status

- Capsule and trunk stacking was performed in Jan for integrated checkouts
- Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) testing was completed in Jan
- Solar array installation and checkout was completed on 2/22/15
- Dragon capsule and trunk arrived at the Cape on 3/4/15
- Nominal cargo load was 3/23/15

## ➤ Falcon 9 Status

- Stage checkouts were completed at McGregor, TX in Mar
- Interstage arrived at Cape on 3/19/15
- Shipped Stage 1 to the Cape on 3/22/15 and Stage 2 on 3/24/15



# SpaceX-7 Mission Status



## ➤ Mission Planning

- Cargo Integration Review (CIR) Part 1 was conducted on 12/5/14
- CIR Part 2 was completed on 2/24/15
- Launch 6/19, return 7/21

## ➤ Pressurized Cargo

- 3 Polar

## ➤ External Cargo

- International Docking Adapter (IDA) #1

## ➤ Dragon Status

- Cargo rack production is underway
- Trunk integration work is underway
- Pressure section avionics power was completed in Feb
- Trunk completion planned for Mar and Capsule completion planned for Apr
- Stacked ops and EMI/EMC testing planned for Apr

## ➤ Falcon 9 Status

- Engines began Acceptance Test Procedure (ATP) in Mar
- First and Second Stages continuing production work with plan to ship to TX for ATP in Apr
- Interstage production began in Feb with proof test planned for Apr





# Orbital-3 Anomaly



- Orbital Sciences Corporation's Antares rocket experienced a catastrophic failure shortly after liftoff at 6:22 p.m. EDT Tuesday, Oct. 28, from Pad 0A of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport at NASA's Wallops Flight Facility in Virginia.
- The Accident Investigation Board (AIB) was formed by Orbital under the oversight of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).
- Orbital is leading the anomaly investigation. This conforms with the Commercial Resupply Services (CRS) contract.
  - *"In the event of an anomaly or failed mission, a Contractor-chaired Failure Review Board (FRB) will determine the cause of anomaly or failure, if activated. The FRB will evaluate all available data from the launch vehicle, orbital vehicle, Range, and other sources in order to determine if the mission failure was attributable to the vehicle or conditions which the Contractor is expected to control or avoid. Based on the findings and recommendations of the FRB, NASA shall make the final determination as to Partial Mission Success or Failed Mission."*
- NASA is a member of Orbital's Accident Investigation Board (AIB) per CRS contract SOW, Section 2.0, *"In the event of an in-flight anomaly or launch, on-orbit or entry failure, the Contractor shall allow NASA to participate fully in the Contractor's Failure Investigation Board including those for non-NASA missions."*
- Since the Antares vehicle does not enter the command and control zone of the ISS, the ISS Program only certifies the Cygnus vehicle for its readiness to approach and berth to the ISS. However, NASA is conducting an independent review of the Antares failure in support of the CRS contract with a final briefing to Orbital on 3/25/15.



# Orbital's Return To Flight (RTF) Plan



- The Orbital Sciences Corporation submitted an RTF proposal to NASA on 12/17/2014
- Orbital and NASA finalized the CRS contract modifications based on Orbital's RTF plan on 1/23/2015
- Significant changes include:
- Performing the basic contract cargo capability in 4 missions versus 5 missions
- Delaying the launch schedule but still flying all missions by the end of CY2016
- Modifying the packing layouts and the secondary structure to provide additional cargo on each mission
  - Lengthened on-orbit stay for cargo operations
- Improved performance on launch vehicles to carry heavier loads
  - Contracting with ULA to use an Atlas V 401 to launch the Orb-4 mission and a second Atlas V 401 as a backup plan for the Orb-5 mission to reduce launch slip risk
  - Antares design modifications including replacing the AJ-26 engine with a new RD-181 engine
- Incorporating the SSP 50808 Revision E "ISS to Commercial Orbital Transportation Services (COTS) Interface Requirements Document (IRD)" design requirement updates
- Summary:
- There is no change in the contract value to support these contract changes





# Orbital-4 Mission Status



## ➤ Mission Planning

- Orbital has contracted with United Launch Alliance (ULA) for an Atlas V launch of Cygnus with an option for a second Atlas V launch if needed
- Atlas/Cygnus Integrated Mission Review (IMR) #1 is planned for 4/9/15
- Atlas/Cygnus IMR #2 is planned for 5/15/15
- Cargo Integration Review (CIR) planned for early Jul

## ➤ Pressurized Cargo complement

- Final ISS cargo manifest will be due at Launch minus 5 (L-5) months tentatively planned for Jun

## ➤ Cygnus Status

- First enhanced Cygnus with a longer Pressurized Cargo Module (PCM)
- Service Module (SM) will accommodate changes to the TriDAR/LIDAR configuration
- SM Open Panel assembly was completed in Jan
- SM Initial Integrated Systems Test (IIST) scheduled to begin in Apr
- PCM is planned for delivery to the Cape in Jun
- SM planned to be completed in Jul with shipment to the Cape in Aug

## ➤ Atlas V 401

- A Technical Interchange Meeting (TIM) with Orbital and ULA was conducted in Feb to discuss range schedule, launch vehicle integration, and cargo processing
- Design and development of a new Payload Adapter is progressing to support the launch of Cygnus on the Atlas V 401



**Atlas V 401  
launch vehicle  
planned to carry  
Cygnus in Orb-4  
mission**



**Orb-4 Service Module (SM)**



# CRS-2 Status



- Draft CRS-2 RFP released Jun 16, 2014 to allow 2-3 months for industry feedback
- Pre-solicitation conference with industry held Aug 7, 2014 with 23 different organizations participating
- RFP released Sept 25, 2014 with proposals due Dec 2, 2014
- Competitive Range determination is planned for Apr 2015
- Selection expected Jun 2015
- CRS-1 contracts extended for 4 flights in 2017

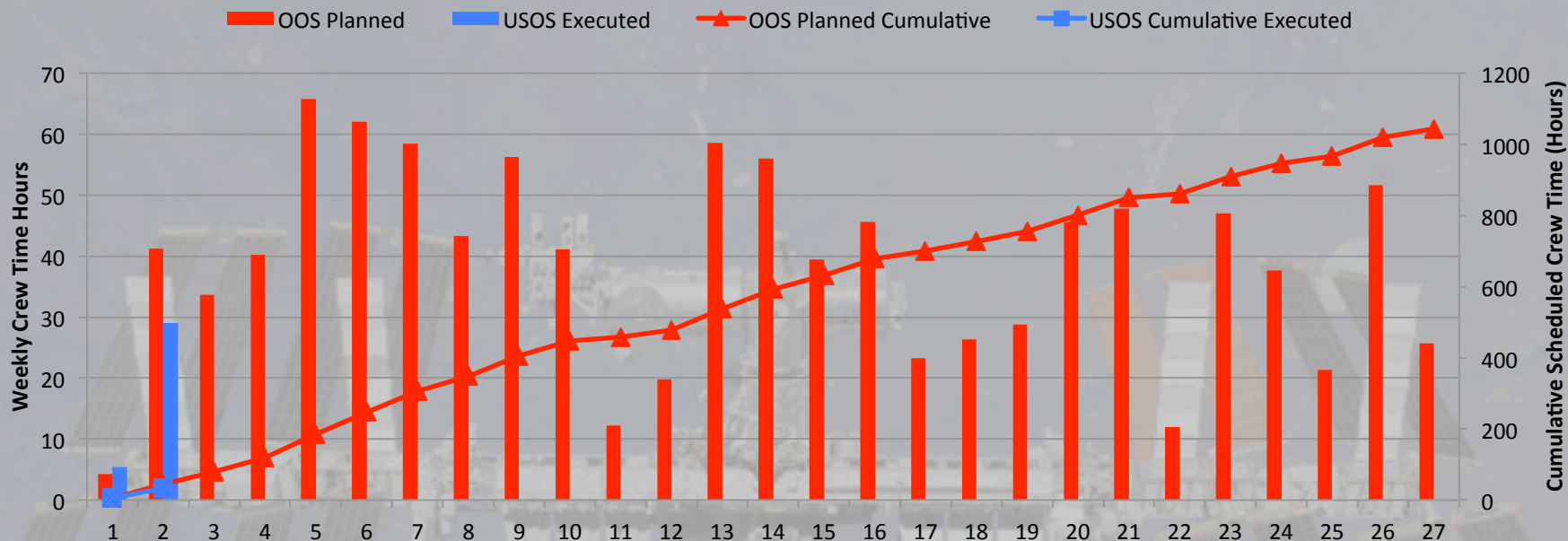


# Utilization Update





## Inc 43 - 44 Utilization Crew Time



3-Crew	6-Crew	3-Crew	6-Crew	9-Crew
Increment 43		Increment 44		
Mar	Apr	May	June	July
				Aug
				Sep

Color Key:  
Final OOS  
FPIP Plan  
Completed

40S Undock 03/11/15



SpX-6

Berth 4/10/15  
Berth 4/12/15  
Unberth 5/17/15  
Unberth 5/21/15

RS EVA 41



SpX-7

Berth 6/15/15  
Unberth 7/15/15

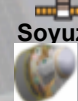


US EVA 7/7/15



HTV5

Berth 8/23/15 N2N  
Relocate 8/24/15 N1N



Sovuz relo 8/28/15

SpX-8

Berth 9/4/15

Undock 09/11/15

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OP/OZ  
reconciliation  
is complete  
through Week  
2.

Executed through Increment Wk (WLP Week) 2 =	1	of 25.0 work weeks (4 % through the Increment)
USOS IDR Allocation:	1045.1	hours (41.8 hrs/week)
OOS USOS Planned Total:	1045.1	hours
USOS Actuals:	34.42	hours
	3.29%	through IDR Allocation
	3.29%	through OOS Planned Total
Total USOS Average Per Work Week:	34.42	hours/work week
Voluntary Science Totals to Date:	0	hours (Not included in the above totals or graph)
RSA/NASA Joint Utilization to Date:	0	Hours (not included in the above totals or graph)





# ISS Occupancy Highlights (data as of February 2014)



- Internal Occupancy 81%
  - Express racks: will launch additional Express to support small payloads in 2017
  - Microgravity Sciences Glovebox: oversubscribed, will launch a 2<sup>nd</sup> glovebox to deconflict life and physical sciences
- Crew time heavily oversubscribed
  - Human research and rodent research demand is high, and is crewtime intensive
  - National Laboratory/CASIS demand has grown to fully use the 50% allocation granted in the NASA Authorization of 2010 for crewtime beginning in late 2015, requiring a replanning of NASA-funded research
  - 4<sup>th</sup> crew member (with commercial crew ~2017) will almost double crew time for research
- External Occupancy (instruments for astrophysics and Earth Science)
  - CATS (Cloud Lidar) and Rapidscat (Scatterometer) launches in 2014
  - 3 sites left after the end of the year (SAGE, NVP, STP-H5), 70%
  - Only 2 sites available in 2017



# ISS Research Statistics

Working data through Feb 28, 2014



## Number of Investigations for 43/44 : 356

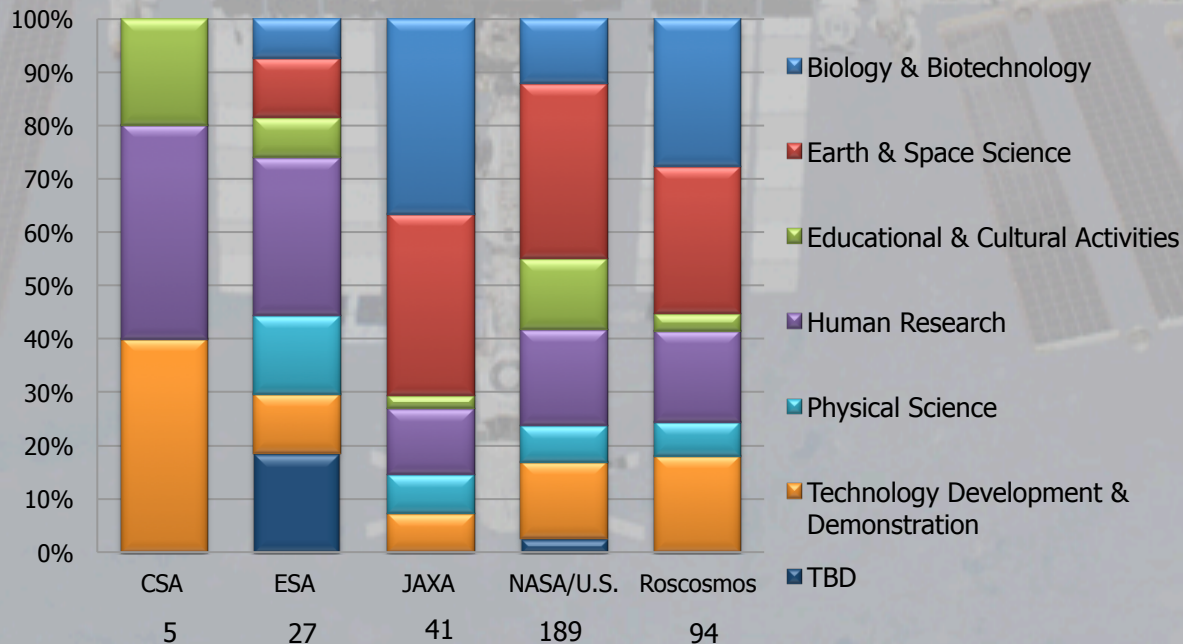
- 189 NASA/U.S.-led investigations
- 167 International-led investigations
- 95 new investigations
  - 1 CSA
  - 13 ESA
  - 9 JAXA
  - 64 NASA/U.S.
  - 8 Roscosmos (*preliminary data*)

## Statistics Exp 0-40\*

- Over 800 investigators represented
- Over 1100 scientific results published
- 1765 individual investigations

*\*Expeditions 0-40 statistics approved by the Program Science Forum in February 2015; pending approval by Space Station Control Board, and Multilateral Coordination Board*

### Expeditions 43/44 Research and Technology Investigations







# Model Organisms on ISS

## Examples from 2014-2015



### **Worms (*C elegans*):**

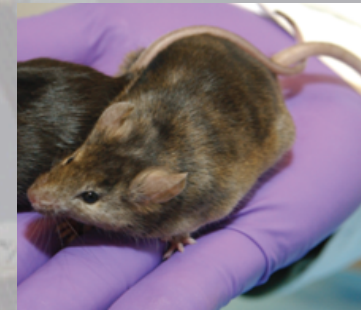
- **JAXA:** “Epigenetics” (Spx-5) studies impacts of microgravity on basic DNA across multiple cell generations. “**Nematode Muscle**” (Spx-6) studies muscle atrophy molecular mechanisms (*muscle*).
- **NASA:** “Micro 5” (Spx-5) infects *C elegans* with *Salmonella typhimurium* and follows the survival of the *C. elegans* on orbit (*immune*).



### **Rodents:**

#### **Rodent Research-2 (Spx-6, NASA, National Lab)**

- studies the immune system response under simulated infection (*immune*).
- studies the effects on intracranial pressure (*vision*).
- Bone remodeling with periodic measures throughout the flight



### **Fruit Flies (*Drosophila*):**

**Fruit Fly Lab-01 (Spx-5, NASA)** will enable the study of microbial interaction, microgravity, and radiation on fruit flies on ISS (*immune*). *hardware failure, reflight planned in replacement hardware.*

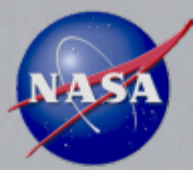


### **Plants (*Arabidopsis*):**

**Plant Gravity Sensing 1&2 (Spx-4, -6 NASA)** studies the structures involved in calcium signaling required for plant growth under various microgravity conditions (*optimal plant growth*).



Studying model organisms in space contributes to understanding basic processes that can also be applied on Earth, such as treatments for disease, improvements for injured or aging populations, and innovative agricultural processes.

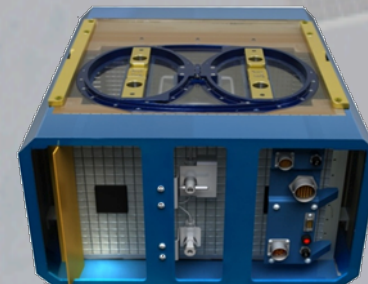


# First Flight of Rodent Research System

"The lack of an animal facility for rodents on the ISS suitable for long-duration studies on adult animals is a major research impediment that will hamper the ability to obtain information important for maintaining astronaut health and fitness for duty." -NRC Decadal Survey, 2011.

- **"Rodent Research-1"** September-November 2014

- 10 "NASA" mice dedicated to evaluation of hardware and on-orbit operations (Launched and samples returned on SpaceX-4).
- 10 "National Laboratory" mice: Pharmaceutical company evaluating muscle atrophy (Launched on SpaceX-4, samples returned on SpaceX-5)
- On orbit dissections, tissue sharing, evaluation of data retrieval from returned frozen carcasses







# ISS One-Year Mission



## YEAR IN SPACE KEY QUESTIONS:

- How will astronauts perform mentally and physically after a year in space?
- What changes are there to brain structure and sensory/motor abilities?
- How do bodily fluids shift?
- How are visual acuity and eye health affected?
- How do the blood vessels change?
- What is the risk of osteoporosis (brittleness of bones) and bone fracture?
- How do microorganisms within the body change?

SOURCES: NASA / THE PLANETARY SOCIETY



## TWINS STUDY KEY QUESTIONS:

- Does space travel accelerate atherosclerosis?
- How do an individual's genes affect fluid shifts and vision degradation?
- How does space travel affect the genes, chromosomes, DNA and RNA?
- How does space travel affect the immune system?

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# Increment 43 & 44 Research Complement Snapshot



## Human Research

### Bone & Muscle Physiology

Bisphosphonates (Control),  
Check-Saliva (Bone/Muscle  
Check) (ASI),  
IVD (P), Force Shoes,  
Hip QCT (P), Sprint, Marrow C/  
O, Tbone,  
Brain-DTI (P), CARTILAGE (P),  
EDOS-2, IMMUNO-2

### Cardiovascular & Respiratory Systems

Cardio Ox, Drain Brain (ASI),  
Orthostatic Tolerance (ASI),  
Wearable Monitoring↓ (ASI),  
BP Reg, Vascular Echo C/O, IPV1

### Human Microbiome

Microbiome, Myco

### Crew Healthcare Systems

Medical Consumables Tracking, Skin-B

### Vision

Fluid Shifts, Ocular Health

### Habitability & Human Factors

Astro Palate, Body Measures,  
Fine Motor Skills, Habitability,  
Training Retention

### Human Behavior & Performance

Cognition, Journals, Reaction Self Test,  
Sleep ISS-12, Space Headaches,  
Synergy (P)

### Immune System

Salivary Markers, Multi-Omics (MAHM)↑

### Other

Content, Interactions-2, Pilot-T

### Integrated Physiology & Nutrition

Biochem Profile, Field Test (P), FTT (P),  
Repository, Telomeres, Twins Study,  
Circadian Rhythms, Energy, MARES  
Commissioning Part 1\*, Biological  
Rhythms 48hrs

### Nervous & Vestibular Systems

Manual Control (P), NeuroMapping,  
Straight Ahead in Microgravity (P),  
V-C Reflex (P)

## Biology and Biotechnology

### Animal Biology

Micro-10, Rodent Research-2, Rodent  
Research-2, Rodent Research-3, Rodent  
Research-3, Embryo Rad, JAXA Mouse  
Habitat Unit C/O, Nematode Muscles,  
Space Aging, Space Pup

### Macromolecular Crystal Growth

CASIS PCG 3, CASIS PCG-4, NanoRacks  
PCG, JAXA PCG-9, JAXA PCG Demo

### Plant Biology

BRIC-21, Plant RNA Regulation\*,  
Veg-03, Aniso Tubule, Plant Gravity  
Sensing-2, -3, Plant Rotation

### Microbiology / Cellular

CASIS Dev 6, CASIS Stem Cell-2, Cell  
Shape and Expression (ASI), Micro-9,  
Microbial Observatory-1, Nanoparticles  
and Osteoporosis (ASI), Osteo-4, RJR  
Microbial Sampling\*, VIABLE (ASI),  
CYTOSKELETON, ENDOTHELIAL CELLS,  
SPHEROIDS, Stem Cell Differentiation,  
TripleLux-A, Cell Mechanosensing-3,  
Microbe-IV, Stem Cells

## Physical Sciences

### Combustion Science

FLEX-2, FLEX-2J,  
ATOMIZATION, Group  
Combustion

### Complex Fluids

ACE-H1, ACE-H2,  
ACE-T1, OASIS, PK-4

### Fluid Physics

BCAT-KP-1↓, Microchannel  
Diffusion\*, PBRE, ZBOT↑,  
Dynamic Surf-2↓, Dynamic  
Surf-3, Marangoni UVP

### Materials Science

Synthetic Muscle,  
EML Batch 1,  
ELF, ELF1, ELF2,  
Interfacial Energy

## Earth & Space Science

### Astrobiology/Astrophysics/Heliophysics

AMS-02 (E), Meteor,  
EXPOSE-R2 (E), Solar-SOLACES/SOLSPEC (E),  
CALET (E), ExHAM#1(E), #2(E),  
MAXI (E), MCE (E)

### Earth Remote Sensing

CATS (E), CEO, HICO-RAIDS (HREP) (E), IMAX,  
ISERV, ISS-RapidScat (E), NREP Inserts (E), MUSES  
(E)

### Near-Earth Space Environment

SEDA-AP (E)

## Technology Development and Demonstration

### Air, Water, & Surface Monitoring

Multi-Gas Monitor

### Avionics & Software

SNFM

### Characterizing Experiment Hardware

Capillary Beverage, POP 3D (ASI),  
MVIS Controller-1

### Communications & Navigation

LONESTAR, OPALS (E), SCAN Testbed (E),  
Vessel ID System

### Food & Clothing Systems

ISSpresso (ASI)

### Life Support Systems & Habitation

AMO-TOCA, UPA (PCPA/FCPA), UBNT

### Microgravity Environment in ISS

WetLab-2

### Power Generation/Distribution Services

Universal Battery Charger

### Radiation Measurements & Shielding

REM, Radi-N2, DOSIS-3D, Area PADLES-14,  
-15, PS-TEPC, Free-Space PADLES

### Other

JAXA Commercial

SDM: 3D-VIT, Skin Suit, MOBIPV

### Robotics & Imaging

3DA1 Camcorder, HDEV (E), Moon  
Imagery, Robonaut, RRM-Phase 2 (E),  
Haptics-1

### Small Satellites & Control Technologies

NanoRacks MicroSats-Hi-Sat, NRCSO  
CubeSats, SPHERES-Slosh,  
SPHERES UDP, JSSOD CubeSat

### Spacecraft and Orbital Environments

ISS External Leak Locator (ALL)

### Space Structures

BEAM

## Educational Activities

### Classrooms Versions of ISS Investigations

Windows on Earth

### Educational Demos

Sally Ride EarthKAM, Story Time from Space-3,  
Tomatosphere-IV, JAXA Try Zero-G for Asia

### Educational Competitions

NanoRacks Ardulabs, NanoRacks Module-9, SPHERES-  
Zero Robotics

### Student-Developed Investigations

CASIS Edu-2, NanoRacks Module-33 (NR-AGAR),  
NanoRacks Module-53 (Lakewood Plant Chamber),  
NanoRacks Modules-16, -18, -20, -21, -22

### Other

CASIS Dev 7, Exomed-3,  
EPO-CRISTOFIRETTI,  
ESA-EPO-PEAKE↑, EPO IRISS (SDM),  
JAXA EPO

### Cultural Activities

NanoRacks Module-48

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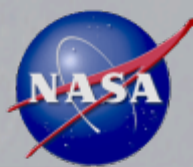
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Key: NASA CASIS CSA ESA JAXA ROSCOSMOS



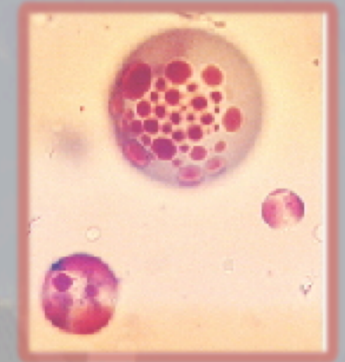


# Advancements Enabled by ISS Research



## What was done in space:

- The NASA Microencapsulation processing system (MEPS) was flown on STS-95 (1998) and ISS Expedition 5 (2002), where the unique behavior of fluids in microgravity led to improvements in microcapsule development.
  - *Microcapsule technology has been tested by many researchers on Earth as a form of cancer treatment by directly injecting microcapsules into tumor sites without the toxic effects of systemic chemotherapy, but several disadvantages have restricted the use of this technology in cancer treatment.*

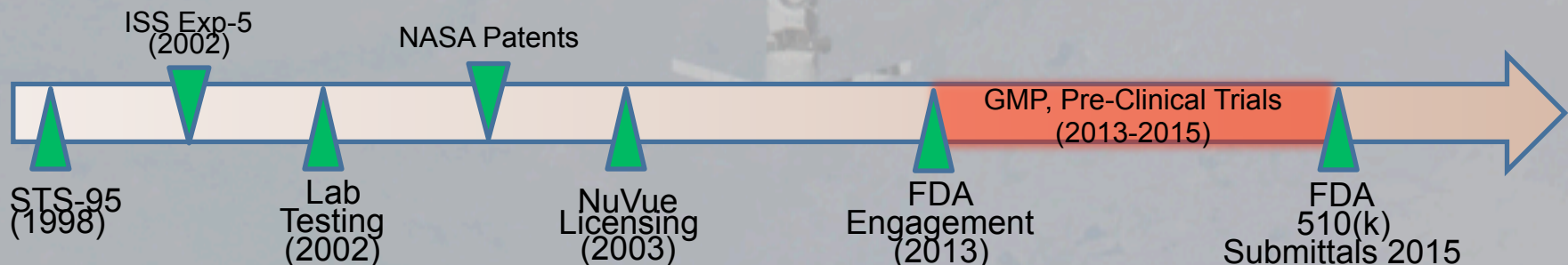


## What spaceflight enabled:

- The space flight results led to the development of a ground-based version of the system (called the Pulse Flow System (PFS)) for Earth-based manufacturing of commercial-scale quantities of the desirable microcapsules that showed significant improvements in treating tumors in laboratory animals.
  - 13 NASA US patents were filed, and are currently licensed to NuVue Therapeutics, Inc.

## What's happening now:

- The MEPS team is currently working closely with the FDA towards three 510(k) applications as visualization markers:
  - Imaging Marker-Microcapsules (“Biopsy Site Marker”) for the visualization of tumor tissue sites, (pre and post surgical)
  - Microcapsule Fiducial Imaging Markers for measuring tumor regression
  - Microcapsule Tissue Markers for Magnetic Resonance Imaging compatibility (this was recommended by FDA)
- Results from these studies will also advance development of the chemo markers for future FDA approval



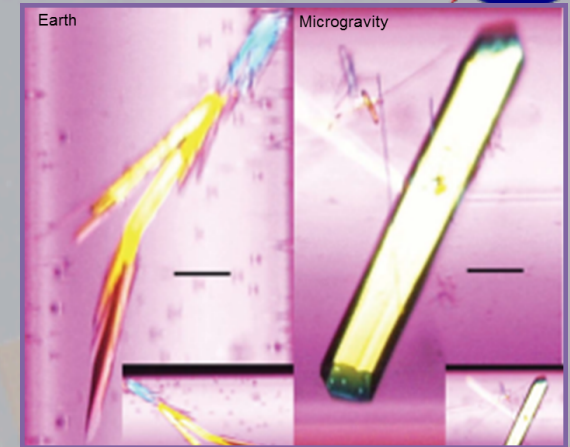


# Advancements Enabled by ISS Research



## What was done in space:

On ISS, Japanese scientists crystallized a protein (H-PGDS) involved in the progression of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy complexed to its known oral inhibitor (HQL-79) in an effort to grow a 3-dimensional crystal structure that could provide insight on how to improve the inhibitor in Duchenne patients.

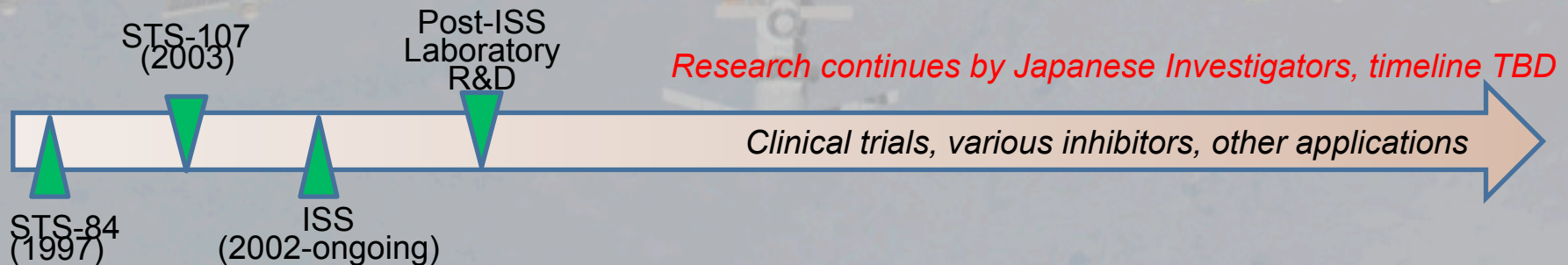


## What spaceflight enabled:

Lack of sedimentation and convection in microgravity led to the 3-dimensional crystal growth that allowed scientists to identify an improved complex structure and an associated water molecule that was not previously known. Researchers used this discovery to develop an even more potent form of HQL-79 inhibitor for Duchenne in laboratory testing.

## What's happening now:

Principal Investigators are studying the effects of the improved inhibitor in pre-clinical studies on animals. Beagle pups treated with the improved inhibitor has shown improvements in slowing the progression of Duchenne.







# Benefits for Humanity, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition



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